

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 19. Please add the following claims 22 and 23, and amend claims 20 and 21. The following is a list of the status of claims:

Claims (1-19 canceled).

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Claim 20 (currently amended) The releasable cable grip connector of claim ~~19~~ 22 wherein said wedge means has a release lever extending outwardly on each side of said wedge means through respective slots on opposite sides of said housing.

Claim 21 (currently amended) The releasable cable grip connector of claim ~~19~~ 22 wherein said wedge means has a single release lever extending outwardly on said wedge means through said slot and said housing.

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Claim 22 (new claim) A releasable cable grip connector for locking a cable segment within a housing comprising:

a housing having a first bore therethrough to receive a first cable segment and a second bore therethrough parallel to said first bore to receive a second cable segment, said first and second bores being of a diameter to permit said first and second cable segments to pass freely through said bores, said first and second bores being straight throughout the extent of said housing;

a channel within said housing disposed to one side of said first bore and acutely inclined to and, at its inner end, breaking into said first bore; wedge means positioned within said housing in said channel and spring loaded by a coil spring to bias said wedge means against said cable segment within said first bore to wedge said cable segment against said first bore and thereby grip said cable segment, said coil spring that spring loads said

wedge being positioned axially within said channel so that the force  
generated by said core spring acts at all times in an axial direction;  
a slot in said housing extending parallel to said channel and to said coil spring  
within said channel and communicating with said channel;  
a release lever fixed to said wedge means and extending through said slot to  
the outside of said housing whereby said release lever may be utilized  
to move said wedge means against the force of said coil spring away from  
said cable segment and permit movement of said cable segment relative to  
said first bore.

Claim 23 (new claim) The releasable cable grip connector of claim 22 wherein said second bore  
within said housing permits said second cable segment to move freely within said second bore.

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